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SUBJECT: KOREA AT THE 31ST UNGA: RESULTS OF FRG
SOUNDINGS

REFS: (A) USUN 2873 LIMDIS; (B) USUN 2877 EXDIS
SUMMARY. THE FRG HAS PASSED US THE RESULTS OF SOUNDINGS
IT HAS TAKEN IN THE THIRD WORLD CONCERNING KOREA AT
THE UNGA. END SUMMARY.

1. HARD CORE SUPPORT FOR NORTH KOREA. SIX COUNTRIES
THE FRG HAS APPROACHED HAVE INDICATED ALL-OUT SUPPORT
FOR NORTH KOREA: CUBA, TANZANIA, SOMALIA, SYRIA,
NIGERIA AND (RECENTLY) MALI.

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2. OTHER SUPPORT FOR NORTH KOREA. FOUR COUNTRIES HAVE

INDICATED PREFERENCE FOR SOLUTION ALONG THE LINES OF THE DECLARATION OF LIMA OF AUGUST 1975:
YUGOSLAVIA, ALGERIA, MALTA AND SENEGAL. YUGOSLAVIA IS REPORTED TO BE SEEKING TO EXERCISE A MODERATING INFLUENCE ON NORTH KOREA. SPECIFICALLY, IT HAS TOLD NORTH KOREA THAT ITS DEMAND FOR A PEACE TREATY WITHOUT THE PARTICIPATION OF SOUTH KOREA IS UNREALISTIC. ALGERIA HAS ALSO MADE A SIMILAR APPROACH TO NORTH KOREA.

3. ARAB STATES. YEMEN ARAB REPUBLIC HAS MOVED FROM HOSTILE TO NEUTRAL. KUWAIT AND UNITED ARAB EMIRATES HAVE INDICATED THEY WILL BE "BENEVOLENTLY NEUTRAL." MOROCCO, SAUDI ARABIA, OMAN AND TUNISIA HAVE INDICATED SYMPATHY FOR THE SOUTH KOREAN POSITION BUT HAVE NOT DETERMINED THEIR POSITION FOR THE UPCOMING UNGA.

4. AFRICA. CAMEROON, WHICH IS DISTURBED ABOUT THE ADMISSION OF NORTH KOREA INTO THE NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES, INTENDS TO COMPENSATE BY VOTING FOR A MORE BALANCED KOREAN SOLUTION. SENEGAL AND MAURITANIA HAVE GONE FROM SUPPORT OF NORTH KOREA TO FAVORING A SOLUTION THROUGH A DIALOGUE OF ALL CONCERNED PARTIES. GHANA IS REPORTED TO BE UPSET BY NORTH KOREAN PRESSURE.

5. INDONESIA SYMPATHIZES WITH THE WESTERN POSITION, BUT IS AFRAID TO MAKE THIS SYMPATHY PUBLIC. INDIA BELIEVES THAT THE WESTERN POSITION IS REASONABLE, BUT PLANS TO MAINTAIN A STRICTLY NEUTRAL POSITION BY ABSTAINING. EGYPT HAS RECOMMENDED TO NORTH KOREA THAT IT BE MODERATE AND FLEXIBLE. EGYPT WILL, HOWEVER, VOTE FOR NORTH KOREA BECAUSE OF THE MILITARY AID IT RECEIVES.

6. THE FONOFF HAS PASSED US THIS INFORMATION IN CONFIDENCE. IT HAS SPECIFICALLY NOT GIVEN THE INFORMATION TO THE SOUTH KOREAN EMBASSY, WHICH REQUESTED IT, BECAUSE IT WAS AFRAID THAT THE SOUTH KOREANS WOULD USE IT INDISCREETLY, THEREBY HARMING THE FRG'S BILATERAL RELATIONS WITH THE ABOVE
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COUNTRIES. WE HAVE ASSURED THE FOREIGN OFFICE THAT WE WILL NOT USE THIS INFORMATION IN THE CORE GROUP, BUT WILL TAKE IT INTO ACCOUNT IN OUR PLANNING.
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